



PATENT  
514413-3864

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Claus Frohberg  
Serial No. : 09/744,852  
Filed : May 31, 2001  
For : NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE CODING FOR  $\beta$ -AMYLASE,  
PLANTS SYNTHESIZING A MODIFIED STARCH, METHOD  
OF PRODUCTION AND APPLICATIONS  
Examiner: : R. Kallis  
Group Art Unit : 1638

Corres. and Mail  
**BOX AF**

745 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10151

**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: **Commissioner for Patents, Mail Stop AF P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450**, on the date shown below.

Marilyn Matthes Brogan, Reg. No. 31,223

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Applicant, Assignee or Registered Representative

Marilyn M Brogan  
Signature

December 3, 2003

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Signature

**RECEIVED**

**DEC 13 2003**

**TECH CENTER 1600/2900**

**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**Mail Stop AF**  
**Commissioner for Patents**  
**P.O. Box 1450**  
**Alexandria, VA 22131-1450**

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on September 10, 2003, setting a three-month term for reply.